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DETAILED DESCRIPTION

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In the Abstract

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ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a A torque transmission device comprising includes a torque converter, a pump impeller, a turbine wheel and optionally a stator. The inventive device also comprises includes a converter bypass coupling having a flange (19) which is connected to the housing (6) or the pump impeller (10) in a positively engaged force-locking manner. Said The flange is arranged between the pump impeller (10) and the turbine wheel (9) and can be connected to the turbine wheel (9) in a frictionally engaged manner by means of a first coupling (27).